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C O N F I D E N T I A L ASMARA 0626

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS PINT ET

SUBJECT: GETACHEW NOT KIDNAPPED

REF: ASMARA 0625

1. AS NOTED REFTTEL I WAS INVITED ALONG WITH REST OF CONSULAR CORPS, GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, HEADS OF FOREIGN COMMUNITIES, PROMINENT BUSINESSMEN, ETC. TO WHAT I HAD ASSUMED WAS THE DEPARTURE CEREMONY FOR BGEN TEFERI BANTI AT ASMARA AIRPORT AT 0700 THIS MORNING. IT TURNED OUT, HOWEVER, TO BE AN ARRIVAL
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CEREMONY. BGEN TEFERI BANTE, ACCOMPANIED BY THE

DEFENSE MINISTER AND BGEN GETACHEW NADEW, MARTIAL LAW ADMINISTRATOR FOR ERITREA, ARRIVED AT APPROXIMATELY 0735 FROM MASSAWA IN AN ETHIOPIAN AIR FORCE C-47. HAVING SHAKEN HANDS WITH ALL THREE AND EXCHANGED A FEW WORDS WITH GETACHEW, I CAN TESTIFY UNEQUIVOCALLY THAT THE LATTER DEFINITELY HAS NOT BEEN KIDNAPPED.

2. IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT TEFERI WILL REMAIN FOR THE DAY AND OVERNIGHT IN ASMARA AND PROBABLY DEPART EARLY TOMORROW FOR ADDIS. ACCORDINGLY, IT MAY STILL BE POSSIBLE FOR ME TO SEE HIM RE THE CISCO TWO.
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